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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. HALL of New York introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. FUEL CONSUMPTION INFORMATION IN ADVER-**
4 **TISING FOR AUTOMOBILES.**

5 (a) NOTICE REQUIREMENT.—Within 1 month after
6 the date of enactment of this Act, any advertisement for
7 any model of automobile or light duty truck (as defined
8 by rule by the Administrator of the Environmental Protec-
9 tion Agency) shall include within such advertisement the

1 Environmental Protection Agency’s Combined Miles Per
2 Gallon Rating, City Miles Per Gallon Rating, Highway
3 Miles Per Gallon Rating MPG, and Estimated Annual
4 Fuel Cost Rating for that model.

5 (b) ENFORCEMENT.—A violation of subsection (a)
6 shall be treated as a violation of a rule defining an unfair
7 or deceptive act or practice prescribed under section
8 18(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Trade Commission Act (15
9 U.S.C. 57a(a)(1)(B)). The Federal Trade Commission
10 shall enforce this Act in the same manner, by the same
11 means, and with the same jurisdiction as though all appli-
12 cable terms and provisions of the Federal Trade Commis-
13 sion Act were incorporated into and made a part of this
14 Act.

15 (c) DEFINITION OF ADVERTISEMENT.—As used in
16 this Act, the term “advertisement” includes any advertise-
17 ment broadcast on network television, cable television, or
18 radio, and any advertisement placed on the Internet or
19 in any newspaper or magazine.

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